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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. [REDACTED]
Assistant to the Director

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SUBJECT : Material from Mrs. Shirley Hector

REFERENCE : Your Memorandum of 5 September 1958
to Mr. [REDACTED] Deputy Chief, FE Division

1. NEA Division's comments were sought on the material written by a [REDACTED] and submitted by Mrs. Hector to the Director.

2. The author puts up some tough-to-rebutt arguments. However, his idea that communism is not a matter of the stomach, of economic aid alone, but of ideas and philosophies, is well known. The alarm he rings to alert us to the possible loss of more states to the Communist Party of India before the elections in 1962 has long been heard.

3. He calls for "psychological warfare, a propaganda war against Communism, a battle for the minds of millions before the next elections...." As we await how he would deal with the situation, he merely says "This can be answered later at the proper time." He does suggest a close, careful, intelligent full-time study of the communists in action in India. This, needless to say, is going on. The author sounds as if he were suggesting he might be able to do it.

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5 SEP 1958

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Mrs. Shirley Hector

Dear Mrs. Hector:

Just before Mr. Dulles departed on his trip, he handed me the attached material and asked that I be sure that it was returned to you as soon as I could have copies made.

I have now taken copies of all of this material from which we will be able to make our study and analysis and I am returning your originals herewith. We very much appreciate your making this information available to us.

Sincerely,

Signed

Executive Officer

Enclosures

O/DCI/dd 5 September 58

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Assistant to Director
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1 to 8: Informal phone call to USIA has just revealed K is a "top notch" employee in the press section of the [redacted] USIA office. He has been to the U. S. on a training program.

Please return under name of Shirley Hector.

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